e-Manifest System Webinar #1

Lessons Learned from Multi-State e-Manifest Pilot Study

April 22, 2009 1:00PM - 3:00PM EDT

Agenda

- Introduction
- Review of November 2008 e-Manifest User Meeting
- Webinar Schedule
- Lessons Learned From Pilot System
- Discussion
- Next Webinar

Introduction

- First of four scheduled webinars on e-Manifest
- Ground Rules
 - Lines will be muted until the discussion period starts.
 - Type in your questions and we'll review them at the Q&A period
- If you have technical difficulties using the webinar, please call 1-866-299-3188 and enter the code 703 308 8796

Review of November 2008 User Meeting

- Meeting was held on November 19-20, 2008
- EPA invited representatives from the States and hazardous waste industry to gather input on e-Manifest system
- EPA provided an update on the current approach
- Users provided feedback on desired functionality and performance expectations
- EPA prepared and sent meeting summary to users for their review and comment

Follow-up Discussions with Users

- EPA will hold 4 webinars between April and June to get further user input. Topics for the 3 last webinars are still tentative.
 - Pilot study lessons learned
 - Alternatives analysis for e-Manifest
 - Manifest data quality and e-Manifest integration with Biennial Report
 - Practical user expectations for the e-Manifest
- After each webinar, a summary will be prepared and e-mailed to you for review and comment.

Webinar Schedule



Pilot Lessons Learned



Alternatives Analysis
For e-Manifest



Data Quality and Biennial Report

System Performance Expectations

All webinars are from 1:00 - 3:00PM EDT. At the conclusion of each webinar, we will confirm the date, time, and topics for the next webinar, and then follow up with a reminder a few days before it.

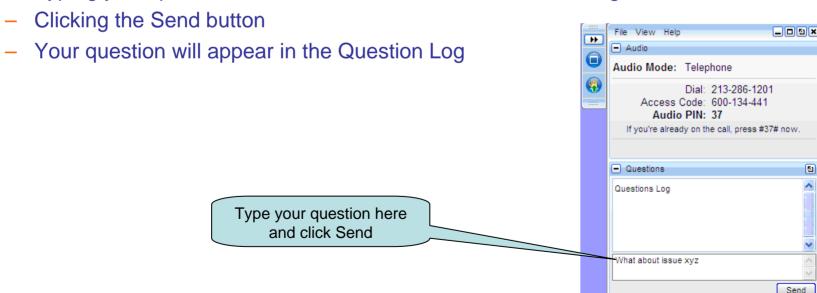
Lessons Learned From Pilot System

- Presented by:
 - Michael Beaulac, Michigan DEQ
 - Jason Bunker, Windsor
- Full lessons learned document can be found at:
 - http://www.e-manifestpilot.com/app/News.aspx?article=7

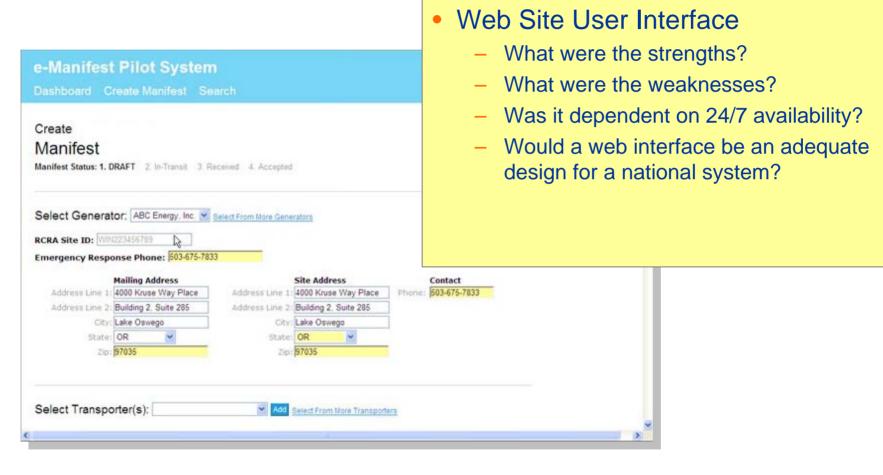
Discussion

- Questions and comments welcomed from all webinar participants (not just pilot participants)
- To help facilitate an orderly discussion, please send a typed question or comment to the facilitator by:

Typing your question into the Question Pane of GoTo meeting

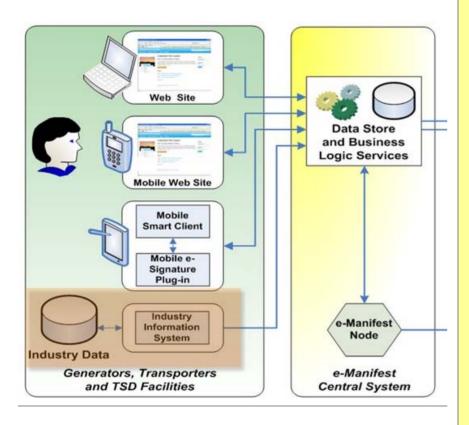


- Based on pilot experience, which capability is most important?
 - 1. Ability to submit e-manifest to states after shipments completed
 - 2. Ability to implement a paperless manifest along with creation and quality aids (templates, quality checks, ...)
- What other capabilities are essential and should be recommended for national system?
- Did pilot experience change anyone's assessment of the more important capabilities and benefits?
- What specific lessons from the pilot merit additional consideration in a national system?
- Did pilot experience highlight any major challenges for a national implementation?
 - Any suggested solutions to the major challenges?
- How important is the integration with the Biennial Report to users?
 - Should this be a significant driver for e-Manifest implementation?
- How well did the system interface with other industry systems?





- Mobile Client Interface
 - What were the strengths?
 - What were the weaknesses?
 - How well did the interface work for manifest creation?
 - How well did it work for signing manifests in the field?
 - What issues were there with off-line transactions?
 - Any recommended solutions?



Industry Web Services Interface

- What were the Web Services?
- What worked well with the Web Services Interface?
- What were the weaknesses of this interface?
- Is this interface necessarily limited to batch delivery of electronic data from paper manifests?
- Could Web Services be combined with the other interfaces to enable the batch creation of draft manifests for processing in the field?
- What challenges would this present?
- How might these challenges be resolved?

Next Webinar

- Will be held on May 12, 2009, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM EDT
- Topics: Alternatives Analysis for e-Manifest
- A reminder will be e-mailed to you

Supporting Information

e-Manifest Diagram From November 2008 Meeting

